

Notice of Determination

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SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21108

State Clearinghouse Number: 2018122049

Project Title: Streambank/Floodplain Conveyance Improvement Project (Lake or Streambed Alteration Agreement No. EPIMS-TRI-09195-R1)

Project Location (Trinity): The project is located on the Mad River, 4 miles south of the community of Ruth in Trinity County; 40.246609, -123.317444, Assessor's Parcel Number 020-340-033-000

Project Description: The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has executed Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement EPIMS-TRI-09195-R1, pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 1602, to the project Applicant, Kevin Siegel.

The project is limited to recontouring the streambank to accommodate a 1-acre development planned within the original floodplain limits. The conveyance improvement project along the bank of the Mad River will compensate for permanent impacts to the historical base flood elevation. The bank will be lowered to allow flood water to pass onto the floodplain at the same capacity as pre-development. Improvements will consist of removal of a layer of soil from the bank, according to submitted design plans, along with full revegetation. The conveyance channel transition slope shall have gradual, rounded, and roughened grade breaks to imitate the natural bank; therefore, no armoring is anticipated at this time and work will tie in with the natural elevation of streambanks upstream and downstream of the conveyance channel. Design plans were submitted with the Notification, dated July 16, 2020. Existing trees along the bank of the Mad River shall be preserved. This project is part of cannabis licensing process, approved by the Lead Agency under the Cannabis Program EIR.

This is to advise that CDFW, acting as a Responsible Agency, approved the project described above on August 31, 2022 and has made the following determinations regarding the project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (i):

1. The project **will not** have a significant effect on the environment. This determination is limited to effects within CDFW's permitting jurisdiction as a Responsible Agency.
2. CDFW considered the environmental impact report prepared by the Lead Agency for this project pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15096, subdivision (f).
3. Mitigation measures **were** made a condition of CDFW's approval of the project.
4. A Mitigation Reporting or Monitoring Plan **was not** adopted by CDFW for this project.
5. A Statement of Overriding Considerations **was not** adopted by CDFW for this project.
6. Findings **were not** made by CDFW pursuant to California Code of Regulations section 15091.

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The Final EIR prepared for the project is available to the general public at the office location listed above for the Lead Agency. CDFW's record of project approval as a Responsible Agency is available at CDFW's regional office.

Signature: *Curt Babcock* Date: 8/31/2022

Curt Babcock, Environmental Program Manager

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____